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MEMORANDUM

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October 14, 1980

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ATTORNEY GENERALTO MEMO TO FILEFROM Ann CarrSUBJECT Phone conversations with Pat Szymczak,
St. Louis Globe-Democrat19/80
10 P.M.Ms. Pat Szymczak, St. Louis Globe-Democrat
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Another dump in Dead Creek area -
10,000 of thousands of barrels
on 3-acre tract
just to S.E. of Dead Creek - directly across from
Sauget Village Hall

People in Fire Department told her; had put out several fires.
Monsanto admits used to dump in site.
Krummrich - 1917 - late 1920's - early 1930's -- was company.
Federal government plant - chemical warfare material - just
north of Krummrich; suggestion they dumped there during World
War II

Leo Sauget dug out 40' to water tables. Charged for dumping.

EPA - internal discussions to figure out how to determine extent
in easiest manner.

Either Village of Paul Sauget might own.
Covered over now and grassy - Waggoner trucking - on one end of
it - trucking firm.

Pat Gauen talked to him (Waggoner) the other day - at his house -
face to face. Waggoner said dumped nothing in Dead Creek but
Cahokia cops say pulled up and opened spigot. Let her know what
our response is.

Monsanto purchased 1917 - was commercial acid company of East
St. Louis. Purchased for heavy chemicals. Made Sulfuric acids.
Plant B - mur tic.

Plant B till after war (1945) and then Krummrich.

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30 P.M.

Pat Szymczak. Talked to former editor of now defunct Metro-
East Journal - from 1931-1961. Wk. 314/882-3042. Home 314/
442-8605. G. Thomas Duffy, Prof. of Journalism - University of

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Missouri, Columbia. Said dump opened 1917 and still open in 1961 when he left. S.I.U., Edwardsville, has archives for that paper. Were stories about people complaining about emissions at time of operation. He confirmed 3 acres were under current Waggoner truck stop.

Harold G. Waggoner, 103 Westminster, Collinsville - 344-9050.

Do not relay to him that got name from her.

Chemical Warfare Services - 1943-1960. Name of Federal plant owned by government and then Monsanto bought back. Faith, hope and \$5000 - history of Monsanto.

When Monsanto bought Commercial Acid plant - 1917 - kept using.

1928 bought land. February 24, 1943, sold to Federal Government. Fed. built and owned plant, Monsanto operated for them until end of war. CWS contract cancelled. Monsanto leased from Federal Government until bought back in 1960.

1971 sold to Edwin Cooper Company, subsidiary of an oil company.

Should be records of fires fought on that property.

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